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PROGRAMME FOR EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any programme for creation of new employment opportunities in accordance with the new economic policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the target set and the achievements made during the last year under this programme; and

(d) the target set for creation of employment opportunities during the current and the coming year separately?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHAR RAO)

(a) & (b) Creation of new employment opportunities is an on-going process under the Five Year Plans. The strategy adopted by the Government for employment generation during the 10th Plan period includes the following:

- 8% growth with business as usual will contribute around 3 crore employment opportunities.
- Special employment generation programmes will yield 2 crore employment opportunities.
- Special emphasis on agriculture, irrigation, agro-forestry, small and medium enterprises, information communication technology, tourism and other services.

(c) & (d) Against the target of creation of one crore employment opportunities on an average per year, the achievement as per the estimates obtained from thin sample survey by National Sample Survey Organisation was of the order of 84 lakh per year. This estimate has usual limitation of thin sample.